GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1763
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Trains to Transport Water
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the freight charged per litre/tanker of water and the revenue earned by the Railways for transportation of water to draught hit areas;

(b) whether payments have been delayed or are yet to be received by the Railways for such services and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the frequency of such trains and whether these trains are to be made a part of the regular schedule of the train and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) whether the normal schedule of the running of trains is disrupted due to running of such trains and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN)

(a) & (b): Presently, the freight charges per tank wagon of water for 500 km is `27,409/- and for 1000 km is `52,662/-. Payments are realized either in advance or levied on the State Governments and realized later. During 2015-16, Indian Railways provided water tank specials for drought affected areas in Rajasthan and Maharashtra on requests by the respective State Governments. Till date, `11.59 crore have been realised and `7.98 crore are outstanding.
(c): These trains are scheduled as and when the requests are made by the consignors.

(d): No, Madam.
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